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In re Patent Application of:  
Stacey M. Gage

Application No.: 10/678,718

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Art Unit: 2123

For: DESIGN AND EXECUTION OF A TARGET  
SYSTEM THAT INCLUDES A COMPONENT  
MODEL

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Examiner: J. C. Ochoa

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the non-final Office Action dated December 19, 2008 (Paper No. 20081210), please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as indicated below.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the claim listing that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.